109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 306

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to permit local public agencies to act as Medicaid enrollment brokers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 25, 2005

Mr. ISSA (for himself, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Filner, and Mrs. Davis of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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- Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

 SECTION 1. PERMITTING LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCIES TO ACT

 AS MEDICAID ENROLLMENT BROKERS.

 Section 1903(b)(4) of the Social Security Act (42

 U.S.C. 1396b(b)(4)) is amended by adding at the end the

 following new subparagraph:
- 8 "(C)(i) Subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall not 9 apply in the case of a local public agency that is act-10 ing as an enrollment broker under a contract or

memorandum with a State medicaid agency, provided the local public agency does not have a direct or indirect financial interest with any medicaid managed care plan for which it provides enrollment broker services.

"(ii) In determining whether a local public agency has a direct or indirect financial interest with a medicaid managed care plan under clause (i), the status of a local public agency as a contractor of the plan does not constitute having a direct or indirect financial interest with the plan.".

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